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TUNG PI-WU REPORTS ON PLAGUE CONDITIONS -- Wen-hui Pao, 6 Nov 49

On 6 November, Tung Pi-wu, chairman of the Central Antiplague Committee, reported at the 4th session of the Administration Council of the Central People's government that the plague epidemic in North Chahar is rapidly subsiding. The number of deaths since the outbreak has reached 67, but only 11 have occurred since 27 October.

Fifty-seven Soviet medical specialists are now helping antiplague units in Inner Mongolia, Northeast China, and North China.

Antiplague personnel now working in the Chahar -- Mongolia border region, North Chahar, and Chang-chia-k'ou (Kalgan) number 315. Twenty two are working in Sui-yuan. Four hundred laboratory technicians and medical personnel are standing by in Pei-p'ing.

To date, about 13,000 persons in Chang-chia-k'ou have received antiplague inoculations. Five million units of antiplague vaccines, purchased from the Soviet Union, are expected to arrive in plague-affected areas in a few days.

The closing of all traffic in the quarantined areas has proved very effective and has contributed greatly toward checking the epidemic.

SOVIET SPECIALISTS BRING 300,000 UNITS OF SERUM -- Wen-hui Pao, 5 Nov 49

To help combat the plague in North China, a four-member Soviet Antiplague Team arrived in Pei-p'ing today bringing with them 300,000 units of antiplague vaccine. The team includes:

Rogozin, professor, Moscow State Medical Institute, Stalin Prize winner, and specialist in epidemic diseases; Sagotavskiy, assistant professor, Moscow

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State Medical Institute, specialist in epidemic diseases; Pealoz Archova, assistant professor, Moscow Medical Institute, specialist in infectious diseases; and Muschenkova, assistant professor, bacteriology department, Moscow State Medical Institute, and laboratory specialist.

On hand to welcome them at the station were: Li Te-chuan, Minister of Public Health, Central People's government; Chang Ho-ch'eng, representing the Health Section of the China People's Revolutionary Commission; Yen Pao-hang, representing the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Central People's government; Chai Lien, representing Tung Pi-wu, chairman, Central Antiplague Committee; Li Chih-chung, general secretary, Antiplague Office, Central Antiplague Committee; and Chang Wei-chi, chief, Health Bureau, Pei-p'ing Municipal People's government.

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